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IN LOCAL STUDIOS

After six months' absence Mr. R. Le Grand Johnston returned to the city a few days ago. Nearly all of that time was spent within a short distance of Alexandria, where the abundance and variety of paintable material has enabled the artist to provide himself with a large number of delightful canvases, which will be included in the exhibition he expects to hold early in February.

Mr. Richard N. Brooke is busily preparing for the exhibition he will hold in January. Many of his most picturesque subjects are those taken along the coast of Holland, the fishing smacks and homely peasantry being replete with artistic

The bronze statue of General Spinner has just been received by Mr. Ellicot from the foundry in Philadelphia, and occupies a conspicuous position in the sculptor's studio, where it will remain until a site has been selected for it. The members of the Spinner Memorial Association, whom the statue was made, wish it to be placed in front of the north entrance to the treasury, and that will probably be the place eventually decided upon. soon as this is known positively Mr. Ellicot will begin work on his design for the pedestal, which is to be cut in granite.

Mr. Emil Meyer has just sold to Mrs. Stanly Matthews the large genre painting, "A Critical School Report," which attracted so much attention during the last exhibition by the Society of Washington Artists. The picture, which contains five fig-ures, was exhibited in the Munich Salon of 1890, where it received honorable mention. A smaller canvas by the same artist, which has also recently been purchased by Mrs. Matthews, is called "Watching the Bal-

Miss Minnigerode will leave the city for New York on the 15th of this month, and will remain there for six or eight weeks studying water-color painting under Rhoda Holmes Nichols. The water-color class in the Corcoran Art School has, under the supervision of Miss Minnigerode, increased so rapidly in size, and made such great progress, that the young teacher informs her friends she "will have to get some new ideas herself in order to keep ahead of her pupils." The class numbers forty-four earn-

Mr. Henry J. Moser is making his annual visit to the city, accompanied by an imposing number of portfolios, which contain the result of his work during the past

The exhibition of water colors held by Mr. Lamasure during the past week was unusually successful from an artistic as well as financial standpoint, nearly all the paintings being marked sold early in the

Miss Daisy King of the Corcoran School is modeling in Mr. Ellicot's studio, a figure representing "Samson and Young Lion." As soon as this model is completed Miss King will commence a large study from it, which will measure ten feet in height, and, when finished, be cast in bronze.

Miss Clara Hill has established herself in a cozy little studio on 19th street, and is working on a terra cotta bust, which she intends to use for exhibition purposes.

A new sketch club has been formed by Mr. W. H. Chandlee and Mr. Gibbs, with the object of drawing together and creating common interests among the young artists and designers of Washington. The club holds weekly meetings, and its membership is confined exclusively to men, who are as follows: W. H. Chandlee, George Fort Gibbs, Mills Thompson, Mr. Lama-sure, Mr. Harrington, Mr. Finney, Mr. Donn, Mr. Meyer, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Child, Mr. Ballanger, Mr. Willer, Dr. Walter Hough, Elliot Hough and Mr. Sawyer.

"The Bohemians" met last Thursday evening in Mr. Nichols' studio and held an interesting session, the sketches made being unusually satisfactory.

The "Sketch Club" met at Miss Thompson's home on Thursday evening. A num-

One Peril of Dining in Helena.

From the Helena Independent. Mike Milligan, a miner, stepped into the Queen City restaurant shortly before 8 o'clock last evening and ordered a nice, juicy, plain steak. He soon was wrestling with the beef. He was getting along nicely when suddenly something happened. About the same time that Mr. Milligan ordered his supper Che Varille, the Frenchman who runs the shooting gallery rext to the restaurant, had also got into trouble. A B B shot had become lodged in the barrel of one of his rifles, and he could not poke it out with a ramrod. The ball had to come out, so he put in a 22caliber cartridge, and, not wishing to shoot at his target with a double-shotted gun, he took aim at the floor and fired. And this was what happened: Just as Milligan took a large bite of his steak, a rifle ball came tearing through the restaurant wall. whizzed past the face of a woman who was eating lunch in a "box," and, crossing the room, lodged in Milligan's right arm. The bullet had glanced from the shooting gallery floor and passed into the adjoin ing building, and had attempted to go through Mr. Milligan, but in this it failed. The bullet entered Milligan's right biceps and ranged upward toward the shoul-The wound bled very freely. Milligan was taken to his apartments in a lodging house, and Drs. Steele and Rockman were called. They secured the bullet and dressed the wound.

Gov. Walte's Great Scheme.

From the Denver Times-Sun. Today it became definitely known about the state house that Governor Waite is to establish a union of western governors, to be known as "Western Lodge, No. 1, of the Grand Consolidated Union of Turneddown Governors." The three leading members are to be himself, together with ex-Governors Lewelling and Pennoyer.

It is said that the governor is delighted with the scheme, because it is especially stipulated that he is to be walking delegate and can ride in Pullmans, at the same time using the Waite family as private secretaries. On the organization of the new union the first thing that Walking Delegate Waite will do will be to order a strike of the governors for an eight-hour day and salaries to be doubled. If the successful candidates do not comply with the orders of the minority they will be pronounced scabs, and the union will attempt to cause a tie-up of the govern-ments of the different states and suspend on the order of the A. R. U. strike.

WHEN UNION COMES

The Columbias Preparing for the Christmas Game

BUTTERWORTH TO PLAY WITH THEN

Activity Among the Y. M. C. A Athletes.

BASKET BALL LEAGUE

Though the recent contest between the

Columbia Athletic Club and Georgetown

College foot ball elevens was unfortunate in more ways than one, still it has not in any wise dampened the ardor of the C. A. C. boys for the Christmas day's game with Union College. Dr. Hudson of the college faculty was in the city the first part of the week and arranged for a good many of the details of the game with Capt, Bivins of the club. Some of the C. A. C. men feel very doubtful about coming out on top in the contest, as Union College has this year the strongest foot ball eleven she has ever had. The eleven defeated West Point by an overwhelming score, and the soldier boys claim that they have a very fine team this year, having scored against the champion sons of "Old Eli." Of course, the local eleven will be strongly reinforced by the addition of Butterworth, but save in that one case the eleven will probably remain as it is now constituted. Capt. Wells will keep the men in training and will put on the finishing touches himself, without the aid of a coach.

As usual, the game will take place at National Base Ball Park, but instead of 2 o'clock it will begin at 12. Dr. Hudson will be in the city shortly and will then make public the line-up of his team. Y. M. C. A. Athletics. The recent exhibition by the young men

of the Christian Association has shown that though Instructor Sims and his pupils devote themselves entirely to the development of the human structure, still some of their members can be depended upon to hold their own with many of the best athletes in various lines in this city. For example, Joe Horan is without a peer in this city in regard to tumbling, and his work at the exhibition brought forth thunders of applause. Though Harry Green did not try for a record at pole vaulting, he came within three-quarters of an inch of equaling the gymnasium record, it being now nine feet, five and three-quarter inches. The exhibition was remarkable for the way in which the men showed their training by their symmetrically developed bodies. structor Sims aims to help a man's physical being, and a person could do nearly all of the class work that was done Wednesday evening in the course of a week or so of practice. He is an expert in his line. In the near future there will be given an exhibition, at which the indoor gymnasium records will be tried for, such as hitch-and kick for height, pole vault, snap-under-the bar, &c. The great number of new material that has joined the association this winter will show up to good advantage at this

exhibition, and it is confidently expected that at least one or more records will be broken. Upward of sixty men may be seen practicing on the floor every evening, and from such a large class many experts in special branches can probably be secured. P. Long, if he keeps on improving at the rate he is doing, will make some of his brother Indians at the Carlisle Indian School hustle to keep up with him. Rob-bins, the new man of Horan's class, is showing up well as a tumbler. Sanford, the ball player, took part in the exhibition and showed up finely. The instructor has in course of preparation a team to take part in the interstate

convention of the Young Men's Christian Association, which takes place at Cumperland, Md., from the 17th to the 20th of January. The exercises will consist in showing how the physical directors of the various associations develop their pupils, and what methods they use. In addition to the team and delegates sent from this city, there will probably be a good-sized local following. Mr. James Nelson, who has fenced in several exhibitions, has been selected to represent the local Y. M. C. A. at the next A. A. U. fencing championship meeting, which will be held in New York city some time in January. Mr. Nelson has charge of the fencing class at the gym. and would have had several of his pupils in the exhibition if there had been time enough

Young Men's Catholic Club. The team which represents the Y. M. C. C. in the amateur bowling league attribute its poor showing at the Buena Vista Club to the unevenness of the alleys, and sidered the point seems well taken. The team is really the "kid" team of the league, but has plenty of snap and takes

The rehearsals for the play, "The Private Secretary," are progressing favorably, and Mr. H. H. Cassidy, late with the American Extravaganza Company, who has charge of the rehearsal, promises a fine performance. The cast is as follows: Douglass Cottermore, M. A. Kean; Harry Marsland, T. P. Kennelly; Cottermore Lewis Carroll; Gibson, the tailor, D. Sweeney; Mrs. Head and Miss Ashton, Mary Davereaux, and Edith Marsden, Miss Salie Wheeler.

Basket ball seems slow to catch the members, but it is believed it will be more popular as it is better understood. The gymnasium apparatus has received a thorough overhauling, and the members show more interest in athletics as the weather grows colder.

Dave Thomas, the champion fancy bi-

cyclist of the club, is showing up well in his work, and some of his new feats are very difficult. Already the politicians among the members are casting about for available timber in the coming election of officers. The present officers have man aged affairs very wisely, and some of them will probably be retained in office. Carroll Institute.

Instructor Joyce is much pleased with the way his team is showing up at basket ball, and he is very anxious for the Baltimore Y. M. C. A. team to play off the odd game. He will not consent, however, that it be played off in Baltimore, as his men received very different treatment from that with which they greeted the men with the Oriole colors when they arrived in this city. Last Thursday evening Instructor Cross

ley, representing the Columbia Athletic Club, Harry Lee of the W. L. I. C. and Joyce of the institute met to consider plans for the basket ball league. A series of games have been arranged between the three clubs for the month of December, and by the time they are played off the teams from the Washington Athletic Club and the National Rifles will have had ex-perience enough to enter the field. The first contest comes off next Wednesday evening at the C. A. C. gym., and will be etween the soldier boys and the C. A. C. The next game will be between the C. A. C. and Carroll Institute, and will come off the following week. Carroll Institute and the W. L. I. C. will play the last game of the series at the Infantry Armory. noped and expected by the members that a constitution and officers will be shortly provided for, and when that step has been accomplished the league will be fairly upon

January 17 has been fixed upon for the exhibition at the institute, and, among others, Messrs. Howard, Pearson, Buckley, Downey, Oliver, Becker, Moran, Eckart and Shea will participate. Instructor Joyce is already at work on some of the numbers of the program, and is working nightly with Moran in a brother act. The junior class will give an exhibition on the parallel bars. John Pearson and Carl Mess have taken up wrestling, and will be seen in a bout on the night of the exhibition.

Jockey Duffy Went to Sleep. The sport at Alexander Island yesterday was inaugurated by Interocean, an outsider, at 8 to 1, winning in a gallop, the favorite, Ninety-seven, not being placbusiness. In this way the governor hopes to bring plutocrats to terms. He intends the first strike of the governors' union to be a success, and will start it something by second choices, Gallatin and Mattie was delivered by Miss Julia Pauline Lease. Chunn, each at 2 to 1. The attendance vens.

was again large, and the twelve bookies on had all they could attend to. Fredericks should have won the last race, but Andrews caught Duffy asleep and cleverly drove his mount ahead by a nose.

DISTRICT LEAGUE BOWLING.

Made at the Washington Atha

letic Club Last Night. The team of the Young Men's Catholic Club lost three straight to the team of the Washington Athletic Club last night. The scores in detail are as follows:

First Game.

Fuller ...... 153 R. Lehman...... 118 H. Story...... 153 O'Connor ...... 154 Total ...... 726 Total ...... 647 Second Game. Martin ...... 156 Lansdale ...... 167 Polley ...... 111 B. Lehman ...... 95 H. Storey...... 143 O'Connor ....... 134 Total ...... 771 Total ...... 620 Third Game. Martin ...... 151 Hill ...... 146
Polley ......... 188 R. Lehman ...... 144

Total ...... 789 Total ...... 709 Correct Standing of the Teams to Date

H. Storey...... 114 O'Connor ...... 120

Won, Lost. Cent. Play. ...... 9 Washington ..... Columbia ..... 8 Buena Vista..... Catholic ..... The next match will take place on the alleys of the Buena Vista Club Wednesday, evening, and the team of the Carroll Institute will be the opponents. This contest

is looked forward to with a great deal of

Trotting Horse Breeders. The seventh annual meeting of the Trotting Horse Breeders' Association of Maryland and District of Columbia, for the election of officers and the transaction of other important business, will be held at Baltimore, Md., Wednesday, December 12. It is proposed to fix a definite date for holding the annual race meeting of the association, and to introduce other new features to make the meetings more popular and at-

Schoefer Gains on Ives. Schaefer not only defeated Ives last night at Chicago, but managed to gain 344 points, putting his total score at 2,375. to Ives' score of 3,000. Schaefer played a strong and brilliant game, making runs

of 134, 217 and 194. Schaefer made an average of 62 14-16, surpassing his own average and coming close to the best average made by Ives in the New York tournament, which was 63 Ives' best runs were 132 and 164. Score: Ives-20, 4, 11, 132, 164, 62, 30, 8, 37, 2, 3,

58, 0, 19, 34, 16-600. Average, 37 1-2. Schaefer-0, 11, 3, 134, 217, 15, 40, 34, 91, 0, 44, 194, 0, 73, 99-944. Average, 62 14-16. The French Champion Ahead. The eushion carom billiard match between Fournil, the French champion, and Tom Gallagher of Chicago was continued last night, in New York. Fournil made 150

and Gallagher 93 points. The score now stands: Fournil, 800; Gal-Fournil's highest run last night, 22; Gallagher's, 17.

Liquor Cases.

The cases involving charges of violating the revenue laws in the sale of liquor without having paid the revenue tax were called for trial in the Police Court yesterday, afternoon. The defendants are John Shea, Rebecca Williams and Eugene Mercer. When Shea was tried in the Police Court Eugene Mercer was the principal witness against him, and this move on part of the prosecuting attorney, it is thought, may work to Shea's advantage.

The cases were brought on warrants, and

the grand jury will have to pass upon the testimony, and then the cases will go to the Criminal Court. Messrs. Christy and O'Neill appeared for Shea, and Lawyer Shillington represented

Washington's Great Grand Nephewi Eulogies on the late Col. Thornton A Washington, the great grandson of Gen. George Washington's eldest brother, Col. Samuel Washington, were pronounced by a number of his former friends at a meeting held Thursday night by the Ex-confederate Veterans' Association. Resolutions in honor of Col. Washington's memory and reciting the biography of the deceased, with his gallant career in the regular army and ranks after he had resigned his United States commission and gone with his section, were drawn up by a committee composed of Messrs. R. B. Lewis, John F. Treutlen and R. T. Tuberville, and unanimously passed.

They Passed High.

The students and professors of the Columbian Law School are well pleased with the result of the recent examination for admission to the District bar. Seventy-five candidates were examined, and three of the first four places were taken by graduwere Charles L. Frailey, first; John B. Henderson, jr., third, and Malcolm Hufty, fourth. Mr. Patrick R. Halleck stood second. Their averages run from 70 to 83, out of a possible 90.

J. W. Butler's Will.

By the provisions of the will of the later John W. Butler, filed yesterday afternoon, \$50 are given to a daughter, Lillie S., and & gold watch to a son, John S. Butler. The residue of the estate is divided equally between them and a daughter, Cora Butler, The deceased names Frederick C. Singer as the executor and guardian of the children

Michigan Association. At the annual meeting of the Michigan

State Association, held last evening, the following officers were elected: William J. McGee, president; Gen. O. B. Wilcox, vice president; Benjamin Harlan, secretary, and A. W. Bingham, treasurer. Mr. Frank-Hosford, tally clerk of the House of Representatives and Washington correspond-ent of the Detroit Free Press, was electedchairman of the executive committee.

Caledonian Club.

The Caledonian Club held its annual meeting Thursday, December 6. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Chief, Francis Wood; vice chief. Wm. A. Taylor; recording secretary, John Robertson; treasurer, Wm. Jardine; cor-responding secretary, Dr. J. F. McAllister; financial secretary, James McCondach; trustees, Wm. Jardine, Jno. A. Black and

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The members of the Covenant League of King's Daughters of the Church of the Covenant yesterday presented an improved operating chair to the Dorothea Dix Dis-pensary, located at 606 11th street north-

Midnight Sun.

The Geographical Society was entertained last evening by Paul Du Chaillu, the traveler and author, who, with the aid of a stereopticon, delivered an interesting illustrated lecture on journeys in the of the midnight sun.

Bible Talks.

Prof. J. L. Ewell of Howard University last evening gave the second of a series of parlor talks recently inaugurated by the Y. M. C. A., speaking about "The Bible in the Light of Recent Discoveries."

Women Writers.

The regular meeting of the Woman's Nas tional Press Association was held last even

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